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Placentia Founders Society

The Green Shingle

News from the Bradford House

Spring 2009

Business and Pleasure Mix at Annual Meeting

The annual meeting on Tuesday, June 16 will wrap up the 35th anniversary year of the Placentia Founders Society. Starting at 7:00 p.m., a new slate of officers and a bylaw change will be presented to the general membership. Then Stephanie Song, a runner-up in the Miss Placentia pageant program, will be the vocalist. We'll also welcome Ann Mauer, author of *The Magic Eye*, the story of the secret life of an inventor from the early 1900's.

Nominees and their positions:
Judie Dee, Parliamentarian; Betty Orr, Treasurer; Lisa Quental, Secretary; Kay Pfaffle, VP-

Education; Jan Henderson, VP-Curator; Jackie Shumway and Jackie O'Neil sharing VP-Activities; SURPRISE for President.

Since email has become a very accepted and efficient way of communicating, the Board would like to make the following change, adding the *italicized* words:

"Section 8—Emergency Action Voting at a Board meeting will be limited to members of the Board. In an emergency situation, the President may take a phone or *e-mail* vote. When the phone or *e-mail* vote is taken, a tally shall be submitted for the record at the following Board meeting. A majority of Board members is necessary for authorization to act."



Bradford Settee to Appear

Jim Allen has contacted the Placentia Founders Society and offered to return a medallion back settee that has belonged in the Bradford family for many years. About 30 years ago, the fabric was replaced on the original frame by his mother, Fanny Bradford Allen.

Fanny Allen was the daughter of Percival Bradford, A. S. Bradford's second son. Fanny died recently and her son Jim is hoping to deposit this lovely piece of furniture with the Founders so that it can be shared with the public during regular Sunday tours and at special events.

In appreciation for this gift, the Founders will provide Mr. Allen with a copy of the Bradford House video produced in 2000 by Lynda Baker and Tom Van Winkle.

Time to Renew Membership for 2009-2010

Membership in the Placentia Founders Society runs from July 1st to June 30th, so it is time for all of us to renew our membership for 2009-2010. We hope we can count on your continued support. As you know, the maintenance budget for the Bradford House depends on the donations we receive from membership dues, and as the house ages maintenance problems increase. With your membership you will receive our quarterly newsletter, *The Green Shingle*, and invitations to member-only events such as the wonderful holiday party.

A membership form is included on page 3. Gift memberships could be a great answer for that hard-to-please-because-they-want nothing-and the don't-like-to-dust birthday gifts for friends and relatives.

Join now and help us save the paper and postage necessary to send additional reminders!

Third Annual Wine Tasting Event Matured into a Tasty and Entertaining Learning Experience



Did you know the shape of the glass should mirror the bottle's shoulder? Or that the glassblower's boot held the bottle by using the punt on the bottom?



Capone's, Wine Warehouse and the Founders welcomed guests to a tasting of Pedroncelli Vineyard wines. Basket drawings added to the excitement.



Folks were happy to learn that white wine peaks after 5 years but red held at a constant 55'-65' lasts forever.



There are 8,000 wineries in this country; 2500 are in California.



Evening's Proceeds: \$1,508.25
Sincere thanks for the support.



Pinot noir is the main grape used to make Burgundy.



From the President's Desk

By Ellie Rankin

When in 1902 A.S. Bradford, our city's founder, built the elegant and stately new home at 136 Palm Drive, he had no idea that the home would stand for more than a century. We know it as the Bradford House. It's that house, painted white and green, which we affectionately call the green shingle house that was the home to the Bradford family: his wife Fannie and four children, Elsie, Hartwell, Percival and Warren. The home can be seen from the two north-south streets of Kraemer and Bradford streets and sits in a 2-1/2 acre park. It's a beautiful sight.

I wonder how they were affected when they experienced an earthquake such as the 5.5 one that we had last

year. That was a severe wake-up call for all of us. That shaker brought plaster and paint falling from the walls especially in the kitchen area. The most recent one on May 19, was quite mild with less than a minute of a rolling sensation. I'm sure the house has experienced a number of earthquakes during its 107-year-life.

And it still stands, majestic and bold. Our visitors often comment on how they are transported to another time when they enter the home. If you haven't taken a visit to the house, I urge you to do so soon.

We recommend that you renew your membership. Help the Founders Society continue its mission to protect and maintain the home. We'll be celebrating 35 years of forming the Placentia Founders Society on Tuesday, June 16, and our incorporation at the Holiday Party in December. Please join us at the house for both events.

PLACENTIA FOUNDERS SOCIETY

Membership Dues - July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

Your tax-deductible dues support maintenance and preservation of the Bradford House, Placentia's historic landmark. Make check payable to PFS and mail to 136 Palm Circle, Placentia, CA 92870. Your prompt reply now will save cost of mailing reminders—a double bonus!

Name(s) _____

Company Name (if applicable) _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Here is how I would like to help: Docent Concerts Educational activities Baking Fundraisers Holiday event Heritage Festival Telephone Food preparation Volunteer maintenance Office help Newsletter

Membership Levels:

- \$ 10 Student
- \$ 20 Senior (60+)
- \$ 30 Individual
- \$ 50 Family/Dual
- \$ 75 Benefactor
- \$125 Patron
- \$ 500 Individual life
- \$1000 Corporate life

Give the Gift of History

I would also like to Give the Gift of History to the following for 2009-2010.

PFS will send a card to the recipient acknowledging your gift.

Recipient's Name _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Any special message on the card? _____

Regular Member:

- \$ 10 Student
- \$ 20 Senior (60+)
- \$ 30 Individual
- \$ 50 Family/Dual
- \$ 75 Benefactor
- \$125 Patron

Varied New Members . . .

- Robin Alexander
- David Alley, DDS
- Linda Andersen
- Rosalie Bray
- Sandy Davis
- Carole Dovala
- Kenneth & Tina England
- Paul Evans, DVM
- Erwin & Joyce Fano
- BARBARA FRANTZ
- Janet Genow
- Mary Ellen Goldsmith
- Arlene Grace
- Eugenia Hathaway
- Ginny Haussmann
- Marjorie Langer
- Harold Chi-Chiang Lee
- Jackie McPheeters
- Bevann Mois
- Andrea Murray
- Tim & Shani Murray
- Bob & Jeanne Olson
- Maureen Plegel
- Charlene Riggins
- Robin & Roberta Rasmiselle
- NANCY SCHMOLDT
- Nona & Steve Seny
- Reyes Von Schmidt
- Margo Thum
- Jean and Bob Turner

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The Placentia Founders Society was established in 1974 to preserve and maintain the Bradford House, which was built in 1902. Now it is a living museum, providing a glimpse into the lives of a pioneering family who made their fortune in the citrus industry. The House is open to the public for docent-led tours from 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month.



Get It First!

Be the first to see *The Green Shingle* by signing up for e-mail delivery. It will help the treasury—and you'll see it in living color! Sign up by e-mailing Lynda Baker, lyndabak@sbcglobal.net